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PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES SELLING HIGH PRICE PRODUTS
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether some of the big pharmaceutical companies are selling their products at higher price in the domestic market and at cheaper rates in the foreign countries ;

(b) if so, the details and the reasons therefor ;

(c) the details of such pharmaceutical companies identified by the Government during the last three years and thereafter, and

(d) the action taken against the said pharmaceutical companies in this regard ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS & MINISTER OF STEEL(SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a)to(d) : The prices of Indian Drug Products in the overseas market are dictated by commercial considerations and also other factors like market strength of a company in a particular therapeutic group, competitors present etc. The prices of Scheduled drugs and formulations based thereon, as fixed by the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority under the provisions of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1995 are applicable within the country. Exporters of such bulk drugs/ formulations are not bound to follow these prices.